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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AFB	acid-fast bacilli
AFRF	Association Française Raoul Follereau
AIFO	Associazione Italiana Amici di Raoul Follereau (Bologna, Italy)
ALM	American Leprosy Missions
ALES	Aide aux Lépreux Emmaüs-Suisse
ANESVAD	Acción Sanitaria y Desarrollo Social (Madrid, Spain)
AS	Aires de santé
BAC	bacterial artificial chromosome
BCG	bacille Calmette-Guérin
BNITM	Bernhard Nocht Institute for Tropical Medicine (Hamburg, Germany)
BU	Buruli ulcer
BURF	Buruli Ulcer Research Fund
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Atlanta, USA)
CDTUB	Buruli ulcer detection and treatment centre (Allada, Benin)
DNDi	Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative
DFID	Department for International Development
DHMT	District health management team
EWARN	Early Warning and Response Network
GBUI	Global Buruli Ulcer Initiative
HART	Humanitarian Aid Relief Team
HFG	Health Foundation of Ghana
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HR	Human resources
IDP	internally displaced persons
IEC	information, education, communication
IFN	interferon
IICD	International institute for communication and development
IL	interleukin
IRB	institutional review board
ITM	Institute of Tropical Medicine (Antwerp, Belgium)
KAP	knowledge, attitudes and practices
KCCR	Kumasi Center for Collaborative Research in Tropical Medicine (Kumasi, Ghana)
KEMRI	Kenya Medical Research Institute (Nairobi)
MAP	Medical Assistance Programme
MBBS	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
MSF	Médecins Sans Frontières
MUCF	<i>Mycobacterium ulcerans</i> culture filtrate
NGO	nongovernmental organization
NP	national programme
PBMC	peripheral blood mononuclear cell
PBS	phosphate-buffered saline
PCR	polymerase chain reaction
PHANS	Projet Humanitaire Afrique Nord Sud
PKS	polyketide synthase
PNLUB	national Buruli ulcer control plan
PNUM	Programme National de lutte contre les Ulcères à Mycobactéries (Côte d'Ivoire)
POID	prevention of impairment and disability
R&D	research and development
RT-PCR	reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction
SD	standard deviation

TDR	UNDP/World Bank/WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases
UCL	University College London
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
WFP	World Food Programme
WHO	World Health Organization

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